NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF ARCHITECTS AND INTERIOR DESIGNERS, CHAPTER 50-7, EDUCATION AND ACCEPTABLE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE - ARCHITECTS.

RULE 50-7-.02 INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (IDP) TRAINING REQUIREMENTS. AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES:

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Georgia Board of Architects and Interior Designers (hereinafter "Board") proposes amendments to the Georgia Board of Architects and Interior Designers Rules, Chapter 50-7, Education and Acceptable Practical Experience - Architects, Rule 50-7-.02 Intern Development Program (IDP) Training Requirements. (hereinafter "proposed rule amendments"). The proposed rule amendments include revisions to Rule 50-7-.02. The Board voted to post this notice of adoption and hearing at its board meeting on December 13, 2013.

The proposed rule amendments are made to provide that the IDP training requirements established by NCARB are accepted by the Board.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed rule amendments, and a synopsis of the proposed rule amendments may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official State holidays, at the Office of the Secretary of State, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. These documents will also be available for review on the Georgia Board of Architects and Interior Designers' web page at http://www.sos.ga.gov/plb/architects/. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Georgia Board of Architects and Interior Designers office at 478-207-2440.

A public hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m. on February 21, 2014 at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed rule amendments. At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. Such written comments must be legible and signed, should contain contact information for the maker (address, telephone number and/or facsimile number, etc.) and be actually received in the office prior to the close of business

(5:00 p.m.) on February 14, 2014. Written comments should be addressed to Lisa W. Durden, Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division, Georgia Board of Architects and Interior Designers, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia 31217. FAX: 478-314-9128.

The proposed rule amendments will be considered for adoption by the Georgia Board of Architects and Interior Designers at its meeting on February 21, 2014, scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. The Georgia Board of Architects and Interior Designers has the authority to adopt proposed rule amendments to Rule 50-4-.03 pursuant to authority contained in OCGA §§ 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-4-9, and 43-4-11.

The Board will consider at its meeting on February 21, 2014 whether the formulation and adoption of this proposed rule amendment imposes excessive regulatory costs on any licensee or entity and whether any cost to comply with the proposed rule amendment could be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of OCGA §§ 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-4-9, and 43-4-11.

Additionally, at its meeting on February 21, 2014, the Board will consider whether it is legal or feasible in meeting the objectives of OCGA §§ 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-4-9, and 43-4-11 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(a)(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The Board will consider whether the formulation and adoption of this proposed rule amendment will impact every licensee in the same manner when small businesses are independently owned and operated and not dominant in the field of architecture.

For further information, contact the Board office at 478-207-2440.

This notice is given in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.

This 19th day of December 2013.

Lisa W. Durden Division Director Professional Licensing Boards

Posted: December 19, 2013.

SYNOPSIS OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF ARCHITECTS AND INTERIOR DESIGNERS RULES, CHAPTER 50-7, EDUCATION AND ACCEPTABLE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE - ARCHITECTS, RULE 50-7-.02 INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (IDP) TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

Rule 50-7-.02 Intern Development Program (IDP) Training Requirements. is hereby proposed for amendment and adoption as amended.

Purpose: The purpose of the proposed rule amendments is to provide that the IDP training requirements for certification are established by NCARB and accepted by the Board.

Main Features: The main features of the proposed amendments to the rule are to provide that the IDP training requirements for certification are those established by NCARB and accepted by the Board. The amendments also make grammatical and punctuation corrections.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE EXISTING RULE AND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE GEORGIA BOARD OF ARCHITECTS AND INTERIOR DESIGNERS, CHAPTER 50-7 EDUCATION AND ACCEPTABLE PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE - ARCHITECTS, RULE 50-7-.02 INTERN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (IDP) TRAINING REQUIREMENTS.

[Note: underlined text is proposed to be added; lined-through text is proposed to be deleted.]

50-7-.02 Intern Development Program (IDP) Training Requirements. Amended.

- (1) The Intern Development Program (IDP) training requirements shall be in accordance With the IDP \underline{gG} uidelines as established published by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB) from time to time, all as accepted by the Board from time to time .
- (2) The Board reserves the right at any time to require that an applicant produce substantiation for all or any part of the verified record of IDP training that he or she asserts has been attained.
- (3) The applicant must establish an NCARB record and have NCARB maintain his or her IDP records.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: O.C.G.A §§ 43-1-24, 43-1-25, 43-4-9 and 43-4-11.